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His first words were a quotation from the Bible. The court interrupted with a question as to whether the citation to the authority quoted had been stated: "No, your honor," replied the attorney, "I assumed that the court was familiar with the Scriptures. You will note that I indulged no such presumption with regard to the law."—Law Notes.

A Long Journey.—After two months at Rockford, Private Nelson got his leave at last and made what he conceived to be the best use of his holiday by getting married.

On the journey back at the station he gave the gateman his marriage certificate in mistake for his return railway ticket.

The official studied it carefully, and then said:

"Yes, my boy, you've got a ticket for a long, wearisome journey, but not on this road."—Ex.

Legal Dark Lantern.—"Now, gentlemen," said the dean of the law college, "let each of you make a resolve not to descend to pettifoggery, or to put himself upon a level with the criminal classes."

Here he looked around the classroom.

"In other words, be a legal light, not a legal dark lantern."—Ex.

BOOK REVIEWS.

All book reviews are by the Editor-in-Chief unless otherwise expressly stated.

The Lawyers' Reports Annotated. 1918D. ·Burdett A. Rich, Henry P. Farnham, and George H. Parmele, Editors, Assisted by the Publishers' Editorial Staff. The Lawyers' Co-Operative Publishing Company, Rochester, New York. 1918.

The present volume is in no way inferior to those which have preceded it in this splendid series. Amongst the notes which have interested us particularly is a note on page 5 which amounts practically to a treatise, on the "Mis-statement of Facts, or Statement of Facts Not in Evidence by Counsel in Argument to Jury as Ground for Reversal." Also note on page 132 as to the Validity and Construction of Acts Regulating Speed of Automobiles." One on page 642 as to the "Value and Weight of Expert Testimony as to Handwriting and Typewriting." One on page 747 as to the "Necessity of Knowledge by Testator of Contents of His Will and Proof Thereof," and on page 978, "Homicide—Right to Defend Oneself against an Officer Who Does Not Disclose His Identity or Character." These are simply a few of the valuable notes.

Four Virginia cases are annotated in this volume—*Awtrey v. Norfolk & Western Railway Company*; *Berlin v. Wall*; *Camp & Meehl v. Christo Manufacturing Company*; and *Derrick v. Commonwealth*.